UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF MINNESOTA

In re: Bair Hugger Forced Air Warming Devices Products Liability Litigation MDL No. 15-2666 (JNE/DTS)

This Document Relates to: ALL ACTIONS

MOTION TO REQUEST REDACTION OF TRANSCRIPT

Pursuant to the Court's Policy for Electronic Access to Transcripts of Court Proceedings in CM/ECF and PACER, section C, paragraph 8, Defendants respectfully request that the June 12, 2019 transcript (ECF No. 1980) of the hearing on Defendants' Motion for Reconsideration of the December 13, 2017 *Daubert* Order ("Motion for Reconsideration") be reducted and sealed as follows:

Page	Line(s)	Basis for Redaction Request
66	7-21	Discusses and quotes from a document ordered permanently
		sealed by this Court. (See ECF No. 1182 (sealing document at
		ECF No. 895).)
121	18-23	Paraphrases Bair Paws exhibit, which has been permanently
		sealed by this Court. (See ECF No. 1294 (sealing document at
		ECF Nos. 916, 937.)
123	5-11	Discusses and quotes from a document ordered permanently
		sealed by this Court. (See ECF No. 1182 (sealing document at
		ECF No. 901).)
125	19-22	Discusses and quotes from a document ordered permanently
		sealed by this Court. (See ECF Nos. 854, 1182 (sealing
		document at ECF Nos. 347, 887).)

At a minimum, Defendants request that the above-referenced portions of the transcript be provisionally redacted and sealed until such time as the Court rules on Defendants' Motion for Reconsideration and it can be determined whether any of the documents at issue played any role in the adjudicative process. *See Krueger v. Ameriprise*

Financial, Inc., No. 11-2781 (SRN/JSM), 2014 WL 1257948, at *9 (D. Minn. Oct. 14, 2014). Unless the documents play a role in the adjudicative process, the public's interest in access to that material is minimal and outweighed by Defendants' interests in maintaining the confidentiality of the content of their documents. Id., 2014 WL 1257948, at *25 (upholding redaction of hearing transcript where "the disputed passages quote from documents that the Court has determined should remain sealed," and "[t]he redactions were minimal, and minimally impact the public's right to access court proceedings; the public has not previously had access to these documents or the information disclosed in the documents; [defendants] have adequately explained how they would be prejudiced by the release of this information; and [defendants] have a strong property interest in the information"). From Defendants' perspective, these materials are irrelevant to the issues raised in Defendants' Motion for Reconsideration and were discussed by Plaintiffs' counsel for the improper purpose of attempting to publicly disclose sealed materials.

Accordingly, Defendants respectfully request that their motion be granted and that the transcript of the hearing on Defendants' Motion be redacted as indicated herein.

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Respectfully submitted,

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